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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Japanese captured two Russian merchant steamers. —— Russian troops are assembling in force on the north side of the Yalu river. —— Port Arthur is said to be practically besieged. ——All reports of land actions between Japanese and Russians are declared to be untrue. —— The canal question was again discussed in the Senate. —— The House passed the fortifications appropriation bill. ——Greensboro Female College burned; all inmates escaped unhurt; valued at $125,000. —— Russian troops have occupied Wiju, Corea. —— Favorable report has been authorized on Crum's appointment as collector at Charleston, S. C. ——Turkish troops defeated the Albanians in Macedonia with loss on both sides. —— T. C. H. Dukes, of Asheville, N. C., found dead in bed at the home of his son, in Mobile, Ala. —— Russian warships damaged at Port Arthur are being rapidly repaired. —— Geo. B Jennings was shot and killed in his office, in Brooklyn, N. Y., by Frank McNamara. —— The total loss by the great fire in Baltimore is estimated at $35,000,000; the insurance loss will not exceed forty million dollars. —— Fire on the Hamburg-American liner Fallanza was extinguished after five hours hard work. ——The Kentucky House passed the bill prohibiting coeducation of races in that State. —— It is believed that the Russian commander in the Far East is concentrating his forces at Harbin. —— There is great activity in European countries in preparation for any war emergency. —— Sixty British battleships are being equipped with new steel guns. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 1½@1¾ per cent.; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet; cotton quiet at 13.75c.; flour firmly held and above buyers' views; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red $1.00; corn—spot firm, No. 2 63c.; oats—spot firm, No. 2 51c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 18.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 25 degrees; 8 P. M., 37 degrees; maximum, 44 degrees; minimum, 23 degrees; mean, 34 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, .95 inch.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 6 2 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—For North Carolina: Partly cloudy Friday, warmer in east portion; Saturday, fair and colder; variable winds, becoming fresh northwest.

Port Almanac—February 19.

Sun Rises	6.46 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.44 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 58 M.
High Water at Southport.	9.53 A. M.
High Water Wilmington.	12.32 P. M.

The Russians didn't know it was loaded.

It would have been cheaper for Russia to have put all her warships on the bargain counter before the war broke out.

American papers are getting off "breezy briefs" about Colombia's double-barrel general, Uribe Uribe. They forget that we have our Jerome K. Jerome.

A Republican newspaper says: "Beware of Thieves!" If you watch 'em too close how is a Republican ever to get anything saved up for a rainy day?

Any further news from the East that a Russian warship has been sunk will not be believed, as it already appears that all of them have taken a dive long ago.

It is now cabled that the Japanese have 120,000 soldiers on the east side of the Yulu river. The Russian troops on the west side had better come in and save themselves any further trouble.

Callous indeed Roosevelt must be if his heart has not been touched by the presence in Washington of so many North Carolina Republicans who are yearning for him to throw out pie on the fly in centre-field.

A Wilmington man told his wife he didn't believe the story that Balaam's long-eared animal spoke. "Since I have heard you speak," she replied, "I am prepared to believe that the one Balaam rode could also speak."

At this writing it looks like Col. Bryan will have to content himself with telling the St. Louis convention how it ought to be done, but the convention will treat him respectfully and nicely and go on with its business.

A Washington man complains that he was "held up" and beaten. With the ground full of ice and snow his assailants were probably merciful in not knocking him down and beating him. Some people never know when things come their way.

The Washington *Post* says there seems to be some disposition to abolish political lines in the seating of Senators. Doubtless Senators Tillman and Carmack will object, as too many of the enemies around them might tend to make them more conservative.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Mr. C. E. Scherer desires to correct the report that he has smallpox.

— A Norfolk correspondent reports much damage to truck by the freeze in that section.

— A delightful entertainment will be given this evening in the lecture room of Grace M. E. Church, to which all friends are invited.

— A boy who knows how to run Job Presses may secure work at good wages by calling at the STAR office. Must be a resident of Wilmington.

— "Senator" Archie Marine left the hospital yesterday for the first time since he broke his leg by falling during the snow just after the holidays.

— The Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at the W. L. I. armory at 3.30 o'clock this afternoon. The museum will be open to visitors in the afternoon.

— Southport *Standard*: "Mr. J. M. Wolfe, of Asheville, has been here the past week, taking a special examination at Fort Caswell for a position in the War Department.

— John H. Williams, a drunken negro occupying more of the sidewalk in front of the market than the law allows, was arrested by Police Sergeant Ward yesterday afternoon.

— By deed filed for record yesterday, Mrs. Susan E. Moore, ex'r. P. Q. Moore and Roger Moore, to Stephen O. Poore, for $3,300, house and lot on south side of Chesnut, 165 feet east of Tenth street, 75x165 feet, more or less.

— Whiteville *News*: "The Wilmington STAR is in error in regard to its article on the public hanging of Jabel Register in the court house yard on February 25th. The law prohibits a public hanging."

— Mr. C. Marckley, who is laying Wilson's macadam and granolithic pavement, has secured the contract to place 2,000 yards of granolithic floor in the new office building of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city.

— Southport *Standard*: "The steamer 'Cape Fear,' which was inspected last week, returned from Wilmington on Tuesday. No damage was caused by the ice to the hull, save to the yellow metal parts."

BASKET BALL TO-NIGHT.

Y. M. C. A. and A. C. L. Teams Will Meet on City Hall Court This Evening.

Arrangements were completed yesterday for the first of a series of basket ball games at the City Hall in the Y. M. C. A. League to-night. The baskets are up, the court made and seats arranged for 200 spectators. The contesting teams will be from the Y. M. C. A. and A. C. L. They are in fine fettle and will line up as follows:

A. C. L.—Guards, John Cooper and E. O. Hunter; center and captain, R. N. Jobe; forwards, F. M. Bryant and L. VonGlahn.

Association—Guards, A. C. Boney and Captain J. A. McGeachy; center, F. S. DuPre; forwards, Roger Schulken and W. A. Little.

The officials will be: Umpires, Wilbur Dosher and J. J. Loughlin. Referee: Col. Walker Taylor. The game will begin promptly at 8:30. The admission will be 15 cents. The friends of both teams are expected in large numbers to cheer their favorites on to victory.

Heavy Fine Imposed.

Justice Fowler yesterday imposed a fine of $20 and costs upon ex-Deputy Sheriff Geo. W. Millis, charged with an aggravated case of disorderly conduct in chasing a negro into the store of 'Squire G. W. Bornemann and using vile and profane language in the presence of Mrs. Bornemann. The aggregate of fine and cost was $25 50 and in default of payment of same Millis went to jail for 30 days. Justice Bornemann employed Herbert McClammy, Esq., to prosecute the case.

Mr. Pembroke Jones Here.

Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones arrived last night from the North on a private car and an apartment sleeper and will spend a part of the Lenten season at their handsome country estate, "Airlie," on the sound. A number of the household servants arrived yesterday morning and went down to have the place in readiness for the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

Assistant Postmaster Wallace.

Assistant Postmaster T. E. Wallace returned Wednesday night from Washington, confident of his success in the Wilmington postoffice contest. It is hardly expected that on account of the death of Senator Hanna and other important affairs at the capitol that the nomination will be sent in before early next week, though Mr. Wallace's friends are ready for the announcement at any time.

Odd Fellows at Burgaw.

Past Grands David LeGwin, Jos. T. King, C. H. O'Berry and W. G. T. Keen left last evening for Burgaw where they assisted the new Odd Fellow lodge there in conferring the initiatory and first degree upon a large number of members. They will return this morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. D. Brown—Attention.
B. G. Empie—Administrator's notice.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notice—Have you seen?
Bright Jewels—Japanese Tea to-night

FIRE DESTROYS G. F. C.

Leading Methodist Female College in the State Burned at Greensboro Yesterday.

LOSS MORE THAN $125,000.

Only About One-third Insurance—Doubtful if Institution Will be Rebuilt—Tender Solicitude for Mrs. Robertson, the President.

Private telegrams received in the city yesterday morning announced that the Greensboro Female College had just been destroyed by a fire which broke out at 4 o'clock back of the sleeping rooms of the students, in the same locality of a small fire there two weeks ago, only a little further back. It was discovered by Miss Ella Transou, a student from Ashe county, who was awakened by the smoke. She gave the alarm and the department was called out from a box located at the intersection of the A. & Y. railroad and West Market street. However, when the firemen arrived the blaze was beyond control with the limited water supply in that section of the city and the grand old building was soon in ashes. Ninety students and members of the faculty escaped without injury, saving their trunks, wearing apparel, most of the furniture and bedding. Only two of the twenty pianos in the music department, however, were saved.

The college property was transferred last week to the two Methodist Conferences of the State. It had a bonded indebtedness of $40,000, but the property was valued at $125,000. There is $40,000 insurance on the buildings and equipments. The students will go home, pending consideration of the plans for resuscitation. As in the case of the Normal College fire a short time ago, there was a prompt and hearty response by Greensboro citizens with the tender of homes and accommodations for the students. The Guilford Hotel headed the list, taking quite a party of the students. Private citizens responded just as liberally, giving their names and addresses for homes for students faster than Prof. H. B. Craven could take them down. The trustees of the college will meet next Tuesday to consider the matter of rebuilding the institution. The faculty yesterday afternoon decided to issue diplomas to members of the senior class.

Greensboro Female College was the first chartered college for women in North Carolina and with the exception of the Wesleyan Female College at Macon, Ga., the first south of the Potomac. It is the same age as the North Carolina Conference, that conference having begun its separate existence in 1838 and the college having been chartered later in the same year. The college was opened in April, 1846, with Rev. Solomon Lea as its president. His successors have been Rev. William Albert Micajah Shipp, Rev. Dr. Charles F. Deems, Rev. F. M. Jones, Dr. B. F. Dixon, Dr. B. L. Reid, Dr. Dred Peacock, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson. This is the second time that the college has been burned down. It was first burned about forty years ago.

Much sympathy is expressed for Mrs. Robertson, the beloved president of the college, who had her heart and soul wrapped in G. F. C. While the building which she so tenderly loved was in flames, she sat in front of the college and in tears watched the flames in their relentless fury. It was with difficulty that friends finally persuaded her to go to the home of Mr. S. L. Alderman, across the street, where she could be more quiet.

The enterprising Greensboro *Telegram*, edited by Mr. R. W. Haywood, formerly of this city, was the only paper in the State to carry the particulars of the conflagration to hundreds of alumnæ and friends all over the State. It printed a long account of the fire and an excellent cut of the building, occupying four columns. Speaking of the probable origin of the fire, the *Telegram* says:

"There were various suggestions as to how the fire started and the most widely prevalent one was that it was set on fire. The fact was recalled that three colleges had been burned in a comparatively short time, and the query went from mouth to mouth. Can there be some fiend who has made up his mind to destroy all these institutions? But another view was that there was some defect in the electric lighting."

Norris Case Compromised.

L. T. Norris, the young white man employed in the A. C. L. shops who was charged with seduction, was arraigned before Justice Fowler in the Superior Court room yesterday afternoon. The prosecution was represented by Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy and the defendant was represented by Herbert McClammy, Esq. After a conference of the attorneys on both sides it was agreed that Norris should be allowed to submit to a lesser offence. He paid $50 to the prosecution and a fine of $10 and costs, amounting in the aggregate to $67.45.

Chronic Offender Hayes.

Henderson Hayes, an habitual police court offender, was before the mayor again yesterday, charged with drunkenness. Hayes spends most of his time serving 30-day terms on the roads but until his offence yesterday he had been sober for 30 days. Mayor Springer gave Hayes another sentence to the roads and remarked that the next time he showed up in the police court, he would have two officers hold him while a third would be asked to give him a sound thrashing.

RECOMMENDS VACCINATION.

Board of Health in Session Last Night for Consideration of Smallpox Situation. Eight Cases Quarantined.

In response to call of the mayor the Board of Health met last night at the City Hall to discuss the smallpox situation here and in adjoining counties. All members of the Board were present, viz: Mayor Wm. E. Springer, presiding; Dr. Charles T. Harper, secretary; Dr. A. H. Harriss, Dr. T. S. Burbank, City Engineer S. P. Adams and Mr. M. W. Jacobi. The situation was very carefully discussed, it having developed at the meeting that there are now eight cases of the disease in the city and at the pest house, all of which are under rigid quarantine. While there was nothing in the views expressed to occasion public alarm, the Board deemed it advisable to recommend general vaccination to the public, which is embodied in the following statement, given to the press after the meeting:

"It is recommended by the Board of Health that owing to several cases of smallpox occurring in the city recently and the greater number of cases in adjoining counties, that it is advisable for the public to be vaccinated, and especially for all children attending either private or public schools. Those who are unable to pay for vaccination will be vaccinated free of charge by the superintendent of health at his office in the City Hall at 10 A. M. each day."

Suiting his action to the recommendation of the Board, during the meeting last night Mayor Springer bared his arm and Dr. Harriss proceeded at once to insert the virus, which is held in such high esteem by the medical profession as a certain preventative of the disease. Other members of the Board signified their willingness to do likewise and have arranged appointments with their family physicians.

Mr. James Dodd, the patient who developed the disease at the residence of Dr. Anders, opposite the City Hall Wednesday night, was transferred to the pest house yesterday. He has a well developed case of the disease. Thirteen others in the house are held under strict quarantine there until all danger of contagion has passed.

KNOWLES, THE HYPNOTIST.

Popular Entertainers All Next Week at the Academy—Sale of Seats.

The Academy all next week will present the Knowles, the most popular company of hypnotists now before the American public, and each performance will be both startling and mirthful in nature. The engagement will commence Monday night, and upon that occasion every lady, accompanied by the holder of a paid 50 cents ticket will be admitted free. The prices for the week will be 15, 25, 35 and 50 cents, and seats for Monday night will be on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning.

Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, starting from in front of the Academy, Elmer Knowles will make his famous blind-fold drive. This novel and thrillingisght should be witnessed by all.

Funeral of C. E. Jevens.

The funeral of the late Charles E. Jevens, who died Tuesday at the hospital as previously noted in these columns, was conducted at 10 o'clock yesterday morning from the institution in which he died, by the Rev. A. McCullen, pastor of Fifth street M. E. church. The interment was in the National cemetery, Mr. Jevens having been a Union soldier during the war between the States. A son of the deceased in Savannah telegraphed that he would like to have the remains shipped there for interment, but Undertaker Yopp deemed that course inexpedient.

Off for the Penitentiary.

Deputy Sheriff W. H. Cox left yesterday morning for Raleigh, conveying to the State penitentiary Jas. M. Judge and William Willson, both white, sentenced at last week's term of Superior Court to terms of five and four years, respectively, for larceny and burglary in the second degree. Recently young Judge, who was an intelligent printer, wrote a letter in which he gave a history of his life, attributing his downfall to an insatiable desire for liquor. He warns all young people against following the path which has led him to prison.

Development of Green Swamp.

A correspondent of the Southport *Standard* writes that Mr. J. J. Wolfenden, of Newbern, who is at the head of the syndicate which recently bought the famous Green Swamp lands in Brunswick and Columbus counties, has a force of men diagraming the country with a view to running a railroad from Southport to Bolton or Chadbourn. If the company does that, they expect to put up saw mills to cut the timber ready for the market. Mr. Wolfenden says that it is likely that the company will expend one million dollars or more in that county.

Shipping Memoranda.

Schooner "C. C. Lister," Capt. Moore, for which some anxiety was felt, arrived yesterday from New York with cargo of cement for the "upper" compress. Schooner "Joseph G. Ray," which arrived Wednesday night, has 500 tons of nitrate of soda and is consigned to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. Schooner "Brine P. Pendleton," previously cleared for New York, with cargo of lumber passed out at Southport at 7 A. M., yesterday. New York steamer passed up from Georgetown at 8 last night.

OWN STORY OF CRIME

Full Text of Jabel Register's Confession of Columbus County Murder.

NO STAY OF EXECUTION.

Implication of Smith Thus Far Avails Condemned Man Nothing—Governor Aycock Says the Solicitor May Make Application for Stay.

The exclusive publication in the STAR day before yesterday that Jabel Register had confessed the murder of Jesse Soles and Jim Staley in Columbus county last March and that he had implicated a man named Smith, has caused much speculation among the public as to whether or not the implication of Smith will not result in a stay of the execution of Register next Thursday until he can testify in the Superior Court in April against the fourth man charged with complicity in one of the blackest crimes in the annals of the State.

Governor Aycock said last night to this paper's correspondent in Raleigh that no application has thus far been made to him for a stay of execution in the case of Register on account of the confession. He also said that if there is any stay of execution, the application for same will have to come through Solicitor Lyons, of the Fifth Judicial District.

Through the courtesy of the Whiteville *News* this paper is able this morning to print the full confession of Register, told in his own words and signed by him. Register had previously made a verbal confession to some fellow prisoners and the man Smith whom he implicated had been rearrested upon the strength of that confession. Smith had been tried previously for implication in the murder, but a nol pros. with leave to reinstate at any time, was taken and upon the confession of Register he was immediately re-arrested and placed in jail for trial at the next term of Columbus Superior Court, Judge Peebles presiding, beginning April 18th. The signed confession of Register is as follows:

STORY OF THE CRIME.

"We left home in Whiteville, Cross Edmonson and me, to go down and rob old man Jim Staley. My father suggested it. It had been reported he had between $500 and $1,000 and he carried it on his person. This was on Saturday night, March 28th, of last year. We left here between 10 and 11 o'clock at night after the night train passed the station going north. We had been talking about the same thing before. We went into the woods near where the nigger was running a blockade still. The nigger was staying with a man named Jesse Soles, who was also killed. We stayed in the woods that night and all day Sunday. We took some canned goods and crackers with us. We found a ten-gallon keg of corn whiskey in the woods where A. C. Smith told me we could find it. My father had talked with Smith about this matter before and he arranged with my father to meet us in the woods. Smith came to us in the afternoon and we had a talk with him. He then went towards Soles' house. Edmondson and me drank whiskey all day. We wanted him to get the nigger down to the still away from Mr. Soles so we could rob him. We intended to hold him up and get his money or otherwise we would have shot him, of course. Sometime in the afternoon Smith came to us again and said Soles was not at home and he would not be there at first dark, and we had better come up to the house. We could get the nigger there. He said he could not get the nigger away from the house, and there would be no one but him and the nigger there. We went up at first dark. Cross Edmonson whistled and the nigger came to the door and I shot him. He fell inside and the door closed. I was then on the outside, me and Cross Edmonson. Then there was a gun fired inside and after that Cross Edmonson went to a window and fired again. Then I saw A. C. Smith in the house with his gun in his hand. Then Cross Edmonson went to the back of the house and fired another time. There was a bed inside and he thought there was a man in the bed, but there was nobody there. Then A. C. Smith came around the house to me and said 'we've got 'em both.' I told him I thought Mr. Soles was to be away. He said 'it don't make any difference, we've got 'em both.' Smith left to go to Bill Soles', he said, so they wouldn't suspicion him. Then Cross Edmonson and myself went into the house. We searched both of them. Edmonson took both pocketbooks out of their pockets and handed one to me. I got a pocketbook with $10 and some cents and eleven cartridges in it. I don't know how much he got. We was to count it up and divide it, but we never did do it. We left there together and went to a nigger's house by the name of Nelson Toon and stayed there all night. I came home the next morning. Edmonson went into the woods and said he would stay there until night before he went home. My father wanted a piece of the money was the reason he planned the robbery.

(Signed "JABEL REGISTER."

THE STATEMENT OF SMITH.

In a statement to a reporter for the Whiteville *News*, Smith says, in reply to Register's confession:

"I was not there the night of the killing. I know where the still was. I didn't tell them about the keg of corn whiskey. I started from Bill Soles' the night of the murder and heard the report of the guns. I went to Jesse Soles' house in the evening to get $30 in silver from Jim Soles to take to Bill Soles to get exchanged in bills. I took the money back to Staley some time before sun down, and I stayed there about half an hour and took a drink or two with him, and he gave me half a pint, and then I came away and went to Bill Soles'. I brought to Staley the bills in a sack I had corn in before, and when I entered Soles' house where he was, threw the sack on the table and said, 'there's the goods.' I am guiltless of any knowledge whatever of the crime."

— Mrs. John H. Craig left yesterday for Elberton, Ga., to visit her parents.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Wm. R. Kenan, of New York, is in the city.

— Mr. Burruss Corpew, of Norfolk, is in the city.

— Capt. R. W. McKeithan, of Brunswick, was here yesterday.

— Dr. T. M. Sikes, of Bladen county, was a STAR visitor yesterday.

— Mrs. C. P. Bolles and Miss Bessie Bolles went to Wallace yesterday to visit Mrs. B. R. Graham.

— Capt. C. M. Funk, in charge of the A. C. L. trestle force at Pee Dee, S. C., arrived last night from the South.

— Whiteville *News*: "Mrs. W. L. West, who has been spending some time here, has returned to her home in Wilmington."

— Mrs. Theodore Empie and little daughter returned yesterday to their home in New York, after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Virginia Empie.

— Mr. Alvah Stanland, who had an operation for appendicitis performed two weeks ago, was taken home from the hospital yesterday. His many friends will be delighted to know that he is rapidly recovering.

AN ELABORATE SOCIAL EVENT.

Ladies' Auxiliary Will Give Colonial Tea at Y. M. C. A. Monday Evening.

A "Colonial Tea" Monday night will be the next social event at the Y. M. C. A. It will be under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Association and that alone is sufficient guarantee of its success. All who attended the one last year will remember it most pleasantly. The entire building will be given over to the ladies for the entertainment which will be on quite an elaborate scale. The decorations will be in charge of Miss Darby and an exceptionally pleasing programme of music is being arranged by Mrs. C. D. Weeks.

A unique feature will be a Japanese tea room, presided over by Miss Lucy Chadbourn. There will also be a number of others, the nature of which will not be made known until the evening of the tea, which the ladies propose to make the social triumph of the season. The entire membership of the Ladies' Auxiliary, in Colonial costume, will be present to receive the visitors. Mrs. Mitt Moore is chairman of the committee on refreshments. Ice cream, cake, candies, tea, cocoa and other dainties will be served, the proceeds of which will be devoted toward a fund of $300 which the ladies propose to secure for the purpose of furnishing the Association parlors.

SIX ALARMS IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS.

Fire Department on the Jump—Four Small Blazes Following Big Fires.

From the number of alarms yesterday and the night before, the firemen of the city were fully prepared to appreciate the truth of the old adage that misfortunes never come singly. Wednesday night's fire on the wharf was hardly out before the department was called to the Front street blaze. That had hardly been extinguished when at 6:30 A. M. the apparatus was called to 513 Castle street by an alarm from box 49. A small residence owned by Roger Moore and occupied by J. W. Daniel was damaged about $25 by a fire which started from sparks from the chimney. At 8 o'clock a telephone alarm stated that a small fire had started in the store of C. E. Scherer, Fifth and Swann streets; damage, $5; cause, defective flue.

The dinner hour passed, an alarm from box 43 at 4:58 P. M. called the department to the grocery store of Baggett Bros., formerly A. D. Wessell, 113 South Front street. Fire falling down a chimney in the rear of the store caused a loss of about $200 to stock of soap, butter dishes, etc., which is covered by insurance with J. H. Boatwright & Son.

At 6:50 P. M. an alarm from box 48 brought the department to the residence of Alderman F. E. Hashagen, 517 Orange street. A slight damage resulted from a blaze started from a fire-place.

WALKER TRIAL THIS AFTERNOON.

Colored Ex-Alderman Will be Heard as to Sensational Charge of Embezzlement.

The preliminary trial of ex-Alderman Andrew Walker, colored, charged with the embezzlement of something over $275 from an Odd Fellow lodge of which he was treasurer, will take place before Justice Fowler in the Superior Court room this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The full particulars of the somewhat sensational charge against Walker were printed in yesterday's paper. Hon. John D. Bellamy will defend Walker and Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy will prosecute. About thirty witnesses have been summoned, 16 of whom are for the State. Drs. T. R and J. H. Mask, the colored physicians, who dressed Walker's wounds upon the night of the alleged robbery, and the five bank cashiers of the city who are wanted to testify as to any money Walker may have had on deposit, have been summoned for the State. It is stated that a jury trial may be demanded.

Entertained at Whist.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Haar entertained at whist Tuesday night in honor of Miss Lucy Mason Hall, of Petersburg, Va. At the conclusion of the game delicacies were gracefully served and the evening was well spent before the party seemed wont to leave for their respective homes. Some eighteen couples were delighted guests at the party.

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LOSSES IN THE BIG FIRES.

Insurance Men Busy Yesterday Taking Account of Policies on Burned Property Wednesday Night.

Very little remains to be told of the two rather serious fires which occurred in the city night before last beyond what was contained in these columns yesterday morning. Later estimates of the losses were about the same as those given just after the fires.

In the wharf blaze, Messrs. Hall & Pearsall's losses were only $600 or $800 above the amount of insurance carried, which was definitely figured up yesterday to be $16,500, of which amount $15,000 was on stock and $1,500 on building. The insurance on stock with amounts carried by each agency are as follows: J. H. Boatwright & Son, $1,500 on building; Willard & Giles, $3,000 on stock; J. VanB. Metts, $4,000 on stock and Walker Taylor, $3,000 on stock. The George L. Morton Company was fully insured by policies aggregating $6,250 and carried with the following agents: J. H. Boatwright & Son, $3,250 on stock in warehouse; W. W. Hodges and Walker Taylor, $500 each on stock in warehouse; W. W. Hodges, $3,000 on stock on yards; J. H. Boatwright & Son, $1,000 on stock on yards.

The losses in the Front street fire pretty well covered by insurance. The Zoeller store building, owned by Mrs. Barbara Bear, was insured for $2,700 with J. H. Boatwright & Son and $600 with Walker Taylor; total $3,300. On the stock of Mr. Zoeller, he carried $6,500 insurance, $4,000 being with Walker Taylor and $2,500 with J. VanB. Metts. G. F. Seltter, tailor on the second floor in whose place the fire started, carried $200 insurance with Walker Taylor. Messrs. Munson & Co. carried $4,000 insurance on building and $3,000 on stock with J. VanB. Metts, Walker Taylor and Justin M. Bunting. Their damage was principally by smoke. The stock of Mr. I. Shrier, in the Sol Bear building on the corner, was protected by $6,500 insurance, the policies being $1,000 each with Boatwright, Taylor and Metts; $2,500 with J. M. Bunting and $500 each with John J. Fowler and W. W. Hodges. Mr. Shrier's store was flooded with water and the stock is badly damaged. On the second floor Dr. J. H. Dreher carried $300 insurance on his dental offices with J. H. Boatwright & Son and J. S. Hooper carried $200 insurance with Col. Walker Taylor upon personal effects in his rooms. It will be a day or two before the losses are adjusted and the stores of Messrs. Zoeller and Shrier can be opened.

WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY HERE.

Special Session Held Yesterday—Rev. C. W. Trawick Dismissed to Concord.

Wilmington Presbytery met in special session in the First Presbyterian church here yesterday, Rev. R. M. Mann, the moderator, presiding, and Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., acting as clerk. Members in attendance were Revs. Colin Shaw, Sampson county; A. D. McClure, D. D., St. Andrew's; J. M. Wells, Ph. D., First church; R. M. Mann, Clinton; R. M. Williams, Wallace; T. D. Johnson, Burgaw; C. W. Trawick, Immanuel; Ruling Elders B. G. Worth, of First church, and J. H. Thomas, of St. Andrew's.

Rev. C. W. Trawick, who recently resigned the pastorate of Immanuel Presbyterian church to accept a call to the church at Hickory, was dismissed to Concord Presbytery. Rev. Dr. Wells was elected member and chairman of the Committee on Christian Education to succeed Mr. Trawick.

Rev. T. D. Johnson, of Burgaw, was elected agent of the Ministerial Relief. Rev. R. M. Williams, of Wallace, was elected evangelist and agent for schools in Presbytery. Presbytery instructed the committee in charge to sell church property at Richlands, Onslow county.

Local Cotton Market.

The local cotton market was quoted yesterday for the first time in several days. The quotations were on a basis of 13c. for middling, the tone having been dull. New York futures yesterday advanced about 30 points over the closing the day before. Receipts here continue very light.

Mrs. Mary C. Pender Dead.

Friends in the city yesterday learned with sorrow of the sudden death of Mrs. Mary C. Pender, which occurred at an early hour, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. L. DeRosset, Jr., No. 313 Ann street, where she had resided since the death of her husband, Capt. David Pender, of Tarboro, about seven years ago. Mrs. Pender was about 63 years of age and was much beloved by all who knew her. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. DeRosset, and a son, Dr. Henry Pender, of Wilmington. She also leaves a sister Mrs. M. E. Bridgers, of this city. The remains will be taken to Tarboro this morning for interment.

Damage Suit Against A. C. L.

Through Attorneys Herbert McClammy and R. G. Grady, a suit for $20,000 damages against the Atlantic Coast Line was brought in the Superior Court here Wednesday by S. P. Peterson, foreman of a lumber mill, near Atkinson, N. C. Peterson alleges that while climbing into the caboose of a freight train to deliver some orders to the conductor relative to the placing of some cars, he was thrown under the car by a violent jerk of the engine and one of his feet was partially cut off.

Fine Display of Shoes.

Messrs. J. H. Rehder & Co. have an attractive display of fine shoes in the show windows of the Stieff Piano House, on Market street. The arrangements and decorations are by Messrs. Carl Rehder and E. C. Moore, and the beauty of the window arrests the attention of every pedestrian along that way. Twenty-nine different styles are shown in the "swell" line of shoes carried by Messrs. Rehder & Co., the names of some of the leading sellers being "Prince Henry," "Monarch," "Turk," "Flag" and "Critic."

Soldiers in Court.

In the Mayor's court yesterday Jno. Barnick and another private from Fort Caswell named Flynn were arraigned for drunkenness, the former at Front and Princess and the latter at Front and Orange streets. Barnick was let off with $5 and costs, but Flynn was very abusive to the officers at the hall and tried to break up station house property, for which he was fined $10 and costs.

The Floyds To-night

The Floyds in high-class legerdemain and amusing tricks in magic will be seen at the Y. M. C. A. to-night. A large portion of the performance will appeal especially to the children and the management has reduced prices to them to 35 cents. The Floyds are said to be the best in their profession and never fail to please.

Prof. Connor to Speak.

Prof. R. D. W. Connor, principal of the Wilmington High School, will deliver an educational address at Town Creek academy on Saturday evening, to be followed by a basket entertainment for the benefit of a public school library, the purpose being to raise a supplemental fund to one already in hand.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Administrator's Notice

Having qualified as administrator of Joseph Lippitt, deceased, late of the county of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 18th day of February, 1905, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 18th day of February, 1904.

B. G. EMPIE,
feb 19 6t fr Administrator.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

One week, commencing Monday, February 22.

THE KNOWLES,

America's Foremost Hypnotists.

In an entirely new and novel presentation of the latest experiments in the hypnotic science. Prices 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c.

One lady will be admitted free to opening performance with each reserved seat ticket purchased before 6 P. M. Monday.

Mr. Elmer E. Knowles will make his daring Blind Fold Drive Monday at 3 P. M. Start will be made from Academy of Music.

Seats on sale Saturday at Plummer's.
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Climax Barber Shop.

During the year 1903 there was a large increase in our business, for which we tender our thanks to our numerous patrons. During 1904 we expect to make our banner year.

We have five chairs and all other facilities needed in a first-class Barber Shop.

QUION & DAVIS,
jan 5 tf 7 South Front street.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING. FEB. 19.

VICTIMS TO TESTIFY IN PRIVATE.

We are opposed to lynch law, but our respect for outraged people and the utility of a good stout rope is such that it is not necessary to elaborate the view we hold on the matter.

We are sorry to see the law disrobed of its majesty by men who are maddened by certain hellish crimes that are committed with alarming frequency, but our grief doesn't prostrate us when we are assured that the right man has to have a reckoning with vengeance.

The horrible crime committed at Roanoke, Va., will be speedily avenged by the law, and we are really glad the law got there before the other crowd did. We are also gratified that the Virginia Legislature has so promptly passed an act permitting women who are the victims of felonious assault, to testify in private. This saves her from a crushing mortification, but it does not meet the ends of justice. No "law's delay," speedy trials and swift executions is a step in the right direction, but it is hard to convince men, crazy with indignation, that there is any law for a beast!

The Virginia legislature has done what every legislature in the South should have done a long time ago. It is well enough to know that the law will spread its protecting ægis over our women, but it will have to act quick or the "mob" will get there first with something to do business with.

THE PEOPLE KNOW THEM.

Speaking of the proposition to establish a Republican daily paper at Greensboro under the management of former United States Senator Marion Butler, the quondam Populist Moses, the Durham *Herald* says:

"A Republican daily in this State conducted by the crowd that is talking about it would do the party no good."

There will not be much chance for the Republican party in North Carolina till there are forty or fifty funerals to clean out the malodorus leaders whose records are a byword and reproach among even people who believe in the principles of the Republican party.

The feed trough and the spoils grab represent all that the Republican party in North Carolina stands for. The office hungry crowd who are at the head of that party offer no measures that will benefit the people of North Carolina, and if they did, the people would not follow a leadership with stenches that would erupt and blow back on the rank and file to such an extent that they would have to drop out of the procession.

The Republican party under its present gourd vine scented leadership stands about as much chance in North Carolina as a tallow candle would in—well you know where.

It is hardly necessary to say that the Republican party in the Southern States is a nosegay of office holders. Hear the Richmond *News Leader* about the latest trust:

The Virginian Republican revolt against the Republican office-holding trust is spreading and the Virginia Republican press is standing pretty solidly behind the kickers.

SIGNS POINTING CLEVELANDWARD.

The signs are portentous that Cleveland is not yet "out of the running." He may have determined that he will not accept the Presidential nomination under any circumstances. But "times change and men change with them." There are indications now that no New York man can secure the united support of the delegation from that State. What then? Will not that delegation turn to Cleveland, whom Charles F. Murphy, the astute Tammany leader, considers the strongest man yet mentioned for the Democratic nomination? Should the solid vote of the Empire State be cast for Cleveland what could prevent his nomination? And, if nominated, either unanimously or by an overwhelming majority, would he decline the nomination?

We now know why the Czar has been the great Apostle of Peace for the last fifteen or twenty years. Russia has been in bad fighting shape and has been putting on a bluff front. The Czar was in earnest and had no stomach for a fray but his less wise ministers put their foot in it by carrying the bluff too far.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

Dr. PIERCE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION FOR WEAK WOMEN.

APT ILLUSTRATION.

How Mr. Robert R. Bellamy Showed the Difference to a Star Reporter.

A STAR reporter was talking with Mr. Robt. R. Bellamy lately, discussing a very interesting subject, when Mr. Bellamy said:

"See here, I'll show you now just what I mean."

He went out and soon returned with a bit of board and two bottles. Resting one end of the board on the counter, he supported the other end with his figers, and poured on the board from one of the bottles a drop of thick, oily substance, which slowly oozed down the slope. Then Mr. Bellamy took the other bottle and poured out just a drop of a clear, delicious, dark red liquid. This drop shot down the incline in the twinkling of an eye.

"This first bottle," said Mr. Bellamy "is the old-fashioned cod liver oil, or emulsion, as it is called. The second bottle contains Vinol. See how slowly the emulsion creeps along the board. It is thick, sluggish, unwholesome. But the Vinol dashes to the bottom at once. These two substances act like this in the human body—the cod liver oil is so thick and clogging that it merely upsets digestion, and its medicinal value is lost, while Vinol goes at once to the seat of trouble and corrects the difficulty by creating an appetite and building up the strength and general health.

"Vinol, you know, is a cod liver oil preparation, and, while it contains all the medicinal elements which have made cod liver oil famous, it contains not a drop of oil, and is delicious to the taste. We cannot guarantee old-fashioned cod liver oil or emulsion, but Vinol is guaranteed to the limit, and if it fails to give satisfaction it costs nothing. We stand the loss. But it won't fail. Try it on our guarantee and see." Robt. R Bellamy, Druggist.

CURRENT COMMENT.

— There is a new 16-to-1 issue—sixteen Democrats opposed to reaffirmance of the Bryan platforms to every one favoring the farcical policy of suicidal consistency. —*Austin, Texas, Tribune.*

— Aguinaldo, who will represent the Philippines at the St. Louis Exposition, says he is perfectly satisfied with American rule. If Aguinaldo goes to Boston now he will be shot as a traitor.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Whatever may be the nature of Japan's ambition, her trade policy has so far been a liberal one. The reverse is true of Russia. Under the circumstances, the bogy of Japan reaching out for Asiatic primacy will scarcely repel American sympathy from the nation which in the quarrel with Russia, stands for freedom of trade against Muscovite exclusiveness. —*Syracuse Herald.*

— The root of the trouble seems to be in the neglect of the German Government to provide any protection for the native from that spoliation of the heathen which so often follows when the unrestrained white man is brought into contact with his dusky brother. Southwest Africa and its people were turned over to German adventurers for remorseless exploitation, and Germany will pay heavily for the crime.—*New York Press.*

— A very narrow view of what constitutes national power, and a very uncomplimentary one for the white peoples to which they belong, is taken by those who here and there are urging that we should hope for the defeat of Japan in her war with the Russian aggressor, because of a fear of the "Yellow peril." They assume that if Japan is successful, her influence over China will be that of a leader, and under her ambitious tutelage the latent force of the latter's 400,000,000 people would be arrayed against the white race of the earth. Even if this were true, there is not the slightest reason to suppose that the white would not be quite as able to protect itself against the yellow as it is against those of any other hue. Japan has discovered, however, that the advancement of mankind is permanent only when made by following the paths civilization; and she would not now be at war with Russia if that power were seeking advancement in that way instead of by conquest through the use of barbaric force. There is no "yellow peril."—*Brooklyn Citizen.*

— Salisbury *Sun*, Feb. 16: The commissioners of Columbus county, North Carolina, have made a grave mistake in deciding to allow Jabel Register, the murderer, to be publicly executed. Public executions are always demoralizing. They excite the most brutal impulses in men and children and the effects are apparent long after the execution itself is forgotten. The Columbus commissioners should reconsider.

PREMATURE AGE

Is brought on by a failing body, as many Wilmington readers know.

Failure to provide for the welfare of the body causes the body to fail, and brings on premature age. Men of 35 who are afflicted with kidney troubles walk about like men of 75. It's easy to cure it, and to regain the elastic step that you should have. A well known Wilmington man tells how.

J. A. White, electrician for the Coast Line R. R., at Rocky Mount, residing at 206 North Sixth street, says: "I have had great trouble with my back, right across the loins, and when I sat still for a while I hardly knew how to move and when I did you would think I was seventy-five years old. They are pains all over me and I coulp not tell where they were to strike me. I used liniments and lots of remedies but nothing did me any permanent good until I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Bellamy's drug store and used them. They helped me in a very short time and seemed almost to oil up my joints, in fact, I have not had the pains since I used them."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo. N. C., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— The Clarkton *Express* has launched a boom for Senator J. A. Brown, of Columbus county, as the Democratic nominee for Lieutenant Governor.

— At Wilson, on Tuesday, Hurley Williams, colored, was acquitted of murder for killing Parker Barham, another negro, three weeks ago. The negro's plea was self defence.

— The Salisbury *Sun* says editorially: That Wilson county farmer who made $130,000 will cost North Carolinians with "get-rich quick" schemes in their heads a couple million or so.

Raleigh *News and Observer*: We have hope of the country. One school teacher in Davie county whipped twenty-six unruly boys last week. He evidently does not believe that the injunction, "Spare the rod and spoil the child" is a back number. Bully for him!

— Statesville *Landmark*: The case of the men charged with the killing of Insurance Agent Jones at Wilson last year was disposed of in Wilson Superior Court last week by compromise, and as is usual in important criminal cases in North Carolina these days, justice went to the wall and an outrageously cowardly murder is practically unavenged.

— The Durham *Sun*: The cider men now come under the ban of taxes. The city aldermen have levied a tax of $50 per year upon all dealers. The law takes effect March 1st. With Durham working on cider, and Charlotte on coca-cola, we are just wondering in our mind what Raleigh is going to jump on in order to keep the ball a rolling.

— Salisbury *Sun*, Feb. 15: Hon. E Spencer Blackburn is in town. It is no violation of confidence to state that Mr. Blackburn is a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress. Mr. Blackburn was seen this morning and asked what he thought of his prospects. 'O, I have the nomination all right and believe I will be elected." He did not care to discuss his antagonist, the Hon. Romulus Z. Linney.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: The Southern Railway political bosses were able for years to prevent the creation of the Railroad Commission. What it cost them will never be known. Now that they cannot control it, the same Southern Railway crowd are trying to have the Federal courts cut the heart out of the law. If they succeed in their present plant, the Legislature will pass another act. The people will never permit the destruction of the Commission.

— Raleigh *Times*, Feb. 16th: Major Chas. M. Stedman is in the city on legal business. He is in fine spirits, and we never saw him when he looked so well as he does now. The major is not a whit cleverer now than he has always been, but his aversion to appearing in print and boosting his candicacy is in every way characteristic of the man. Major Stedman is a gentleman of the old school, whose sense of modesty and good taste are always in evidence. That he is a very strong candidate in the race for Governor, there can be no question.

— The two literary societies of the State Normal and Industrial college at Greensboro, the Adelphian and Cornelian have extended an invitation to Hon. William J. Bryan to deliver an address on Saturday night, February 20th, and he has accepted the invitation. The opera house has been secured and Col. Bryan will arrive with Mrs. Bryan and his daughter on the noon train from Atlanta, Saturday. They will stop at the Benbow Hotel, and will spend Sunday there, leaving for Raleigh on the early Monday morning train.

— Charlotte *Observer*: A great deal of interest has been aroused in the proposed fight of the Woman's Club against cocoa-cola. It will result probably in ascertaining just what sort of a drink cocoa-cola is, and that will be worth while. Nobody seems to know now. —Friends of the various candidates for Governor have been asking the question: How will Mecklenburg vote? That is a hard matter to decide at this writing. Major Charles M. Stedman, Capt. R. B. Glenn and Lieutenant Governor Wm. D. Turner all have staunch friends here, and active work is being done for these candidates.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: There walked into a store on South Elm street Wednesday a negro woman who had a difficult and grewsome problem to dispose of. She said that a few days ago a colored man, sick and unable to work, came to her door and asked for shelter. Not having the heart to dismiss him, she took him in. He grew worse and died. She had no means with which to bury him. So she was on a round of calls to the city officials and others to make arrangements to bury the man. She said the man had been dead since Tuesday and she wanted some disposition made of the body and that quickly. She was tired of going home, she said, and finding a dead nigger there every time she opened the door.

Better Than Gold.

"I was troubled for several years with chronic indigestion and nervous debility," writes F. J. Green, of Lancaster, N. H. "No remedy helped me until I began using Electric Bitters, which did me more good than all the medicines I ever used. They have also kept my wife in excellent health for years. She says Electric Bitters are just splendid for female troubles; that they are a grand tonic and invigorator for weak, run-down women. No other medicine can take its place in our family." Try them. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist.

For over Sixty Years

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, and allays all pain; cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup and take no other kind. †

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

van Houten's Cocoa

A healthy Stimulant.
An invigorating Food.
A delightful Beverage.

Best & Goes Farthest

TWINKLINGS.

—"They say her wedding beggared description." "Oh, more than that!" "Indeed?" "Yes. It beggared her father."—*Chicago Evening Post.*

— "Do you think he is really in love with you?" asked Maud. "I don't know," answered Mamie. "He says he is; but his letters don't sound a bit silly."—*Washington Star.*

— "She says she's very fond of music." "Instrumental?" "Well, it's instrumental in making the neighbors swear when she gets at the piano."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— We are glad to learn that this new germ, kunzite, is not a mysterious affair at all, but just a spodumene, sometimes known as triphane and perfectly harmless when not hungry.—*Washington Post.*

— "Better keep away from that jayhawker," cautioned the first bunco steerer. "What for?" demanded the other. "I worked that old fellow myself last month." "Well, 'what man has done, man can do.'"

— "Come, now," said mamma, who had taken the children for a walk through the Zoo, "let's go home and see papa." "Oh! no," protested Elsie, "let's see these other monkeys first."

— "Skinner, the theatrical manager, has been tripped up at last." "Skipping off with the box office receipts again?" "Yes, but he made the mistake of his life this time. It was an 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' show and they used the bloodhounds on him."

— "I was cleaning our silver on Sunday when Mrs. Straitlace called on her way from church. Fortunately, though, she didn't find it out." "She's very strict about the Sabbath, isn't she?" "Yes. She apoligized for calling upon me on that day, but she thought she ought to tell me that scandalous story about Mrs. Gidday."—*Philadelphia Press.*

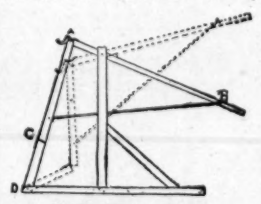
— Tarboro *Southerner*: The cotton crop by counties will not be given out by the Agricultural Department until about March 15th. What the crop of this county will be is yet conjectural, except that it is greater than for the year before, when it was 23,000 bales. Later estimates place the crop at 25,000 bales, the largest raised in the county in many years, probably twenty years. The greatest number of bales ever produced in one year in this county was probably 30,000, though it was claimed at the time that in the latter seventies we made one year a crop of 35,000 bales.

A WAGON JACK.

A Handy, Steady Acting Affair Readily Made at Home.

An Orange Judd Farmer correspondent submits a plan for a wagon jack which, he says, any one can easily make. The construction is seen at a glance. A D consists of two strong pieces of wood connected with a strap hinge at C. This is bolted to the lever at A and to the base at D. On the end of the lever a strong iron hook is secured.

When the axle is to be raised disengage the iron rod at B and let the jack assume the position as shown by



WAGON JACK IN OUTLINE.

the dotted lines. By depressing the lever the axle is easily raised and is kept in position. With this device the weight is over the center of the base and the wagon or buggy will not run backward or forward, as it often does with other jacks. The base of the jack may be as long as necessary. The hinge at C should be somewhat below the center of A D. I always use bolts instead of nails for constructing this jack.

Stray Petals.

California privet is extremely popular for hedges.

The dahlia appears to be as popular in England as on this side of the water.

Color in crotons for Christmas is heightened by letting them become pot bound.

Deutzia lemoinei should be included among the good things to force for Easter.

The display of crotons was one of the notable plant features of the last exhibition of the Massachusetts Horticultural society.

Each succeeding Christmas and in all parts of the country the use of flowering plants as gifts and in decorations grows more popular.

The roots of the caladium, or elephant's ear, the big leaved lawn plant, are said to be edible and the source of the "poi" of the Sandwich islands.

Healthier Than Before.

My little girl was caught in the rain on Sunday, being drenched from head to foot. A very bad cough developed that night, and I at once began giving Cheney's Expectorant. In less than two days all symptoms disappeared, and she is as well now as ever.

MRS. A. T. POTTS.
Hot Springs, Ark.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, February 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.50 per barrel for hard, $4.25 for dip, $4.25 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 65c; rosin firm at $1.85@1.90; tar firm at $1.65; crude turpentine firm at $2.25, 3.75@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	41
Rosin	695
Tar	89
Crude turpentine	4

Receipts same day last year—16 casks spirits turpentine, 520 barrels rosin, 444 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market dull at 13c per pound for middling.

Same day last year, market firm at 9¼c for middling.

Receipts—83 bales; same day last year, 511.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 95c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 80c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, $1.00.

CORN—Firm, 57½@60c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 16@16½c per pound; shoulders, 12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Firm at 23c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull. Grown, 25@35c; springs, 10@22c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12½@13c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25@26c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50@55c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Money on call steady at 1½@1¾ per cent; closing bid 1¾ per cent.; offered at 1¾ per cent; time loans steady; sixty days 3½@4 per cent.; ninety days 3¾@4 per cent.; six months 4@4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange was strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.80@485.85 for demand and at 482.20@482.85 for sixty-day bills. Posted rates 483½@484 and 486¼. Commercial bills 483¾@482¼. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 46¼. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104¼; U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 104¼; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 106; do. coupon, ex int, 106; U. S. 4's, new, reg'd, 132¼; do. coupons, 132¼; U. S. 4's, old, reg'd, 107; U. S. 4's, old coupon, 107; U. S. 5's, registered, —; do. coupon, —; Southern Railway, 5's, 112. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio pref'd 87; Chesapeake & Ohio 31¼; Manhattan L 142½; New York Central 114½; Reading 41½; do. 1st preferred 79½; do. 2nd preferred 56¼; Southern Railway 19½; do pref'd 80¾; Amalgamated Copper 47¾; People's Gas 98; Tennessee Coal and Iron 36¼; U. S. Leather 7; U. S. Leather, preferred, 76; Western Union 87½; U. S. Steel 11½; do. preferred 56¾; Virginia Carolina Chemical, 38¾; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 100 bid; sales — shares. Standard Oil 630.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 18.—Spirits turpentine and rosin nominal; nothing doing. Quotations omitted.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 18.—Spirits turpentine quoted at 62c; receipts 73 casks; sales — casks; exports 57 casks. Rosin was firm; receipts 305 barrels; sales — barrels; exports 3,846 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $2 55; D, $2 55; E, $2 60; F, $2 65; G, $2 75; H, $2 75; I, $3 05; K, $3 25; M, $3 30; N, $3 35; W G, $3 45; W W $3 65.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of five to seven points on the old crop months, while the new crop options were unchanged to twelve points higher. In view of the small receipts, the estimates for the day and the firm cables, these advances were disappointing to the smaller longs, who finding a considerable amount of cotton offering from yesterday's buyers with very little indication of renewed bull support began liquidating, and shortly after the opening prices had not only lost their initial gain, but were five to eight points below yesterday's finals on the more active positions. There was good buying at the decline, however, and with very bullish advices coming in from almost every source as to the spot situation, the market soon rallied and during the balance of the session ruled generally steady to firm. Shortly after midday there was a slight set-back on the larger receipts estimated for to-morrow's leading points, but the dropping off in the interior movement tended to offset this as a market factor and the highest prices of the day were reached in the late trading. There was heavy buying here, believed to be for the account of the leader in last Summer's bull campaign, and the local bull leader also bought heavily of May and July, while a prominent Philadelphia spot interest bought May against sales of July. Added to this demand there was heavy covering by room shorts with one operator buying 4,000 bales of May, believed to be for short account, and while there was some further liquidation for profit-taking by commission houses, the market presented a firm appearance with March selling up to 13.51, May to 13.83 and July to 13.85, at a net advance on those of forty-one to forty-seven points. Just before the close realizing eased the market off slightly, but the final tone was steady with the old crop months net thirty-seven to fifty-three points higher and the new crop irregular at an advance of five to a decline of twelve points. Sales were estimated at 700,000 bales. The leading factor in the day's advance appeared to be the smaller interior movement and the continued reports of a demand for spot cotton in the South. The estimate on the into-sight movement for the week has now been reduced to about 150,000 bales, against 191,000 bales last year, and an estimate of 180,000 bales earlier in the week, and this reduction naturally leads to expectations of a good decrease in the visible supply figures, while there also seems to be some apprehension as to technical position of March contracts.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Cotton quiet at 13.75; net receipts 869 bales; gross receipts 7,385 bales; stock 73,328 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 25 points higher; middling uplands 13.75; middling gulf 14.00c; sales 2,210 bales.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 13.39, March 13.44, April 13.60, May 13.76, June 13.77, July 13.81, August 13.28, September 11.85, October 11.25, November 11.00, December 11.00.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 7,591 bales; exports to Great Britain 227 bales; exports to France 3,273 bales; exports to the Continent 20,648 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico 100 bales; stock 678,143 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 69,912 bales; exports to Great Britain 43,066 bales; exports to France 28,044 bales; exports to the Continent 29,062 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico 295 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,294,530 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,890,313 bales; exports to France 634,264 bales; exports to the Continent 2,176,107 bales; exports to Japan 36,908 bales; exports to Mexico 22,368 bales.

Feb 18.—Galveston, firm at 13¼c, net receipts 1,649 bales; Norfolk, not received, net receipts 700 bales; Baltimore, nominal at —c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 13 50, net receipts 414 bales; Wilmington, dull at 13c, net receipts 83 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 14.00c, net receipts 113 bales; Savannah, nominal at 13¼c, net receipts 1,464 bales; New Orleans, steady at 13¾, net receipts 2,593 bales; Mobile, nominal, net receipts 164 bales; Memphis, firm at 13¾c, net receipts 848 bales; Augusta, quiet at 13¾c, net receipts — bales; Charleston, nominal at —, net receipts 42 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Flour was firmly held and above buyers' views. Rye flour firm; fair to good $3 75@3 90. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red $1 00. Options closed firm at best prices and net 1@1½c net higher—May closed $1 01; July closed 96¼c; September closed 89¾c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 63. Options were quiet on steadier cables and good support. Trading was light, prices closing net unchanged; May closed 60¾c; July closed 58¾c. Oats—Spot firm; No. 2 51c. Lard firm; Western steam $7 90; refined firm; continent $7 90; compound 6¾@7c. Pork steady. Butter firm; extra fresh creamery 26c; State dairy 14@21c. Cheese steady; State, full cream fancy, small colored, September 12c; late made 10¼; small white, September 12; late made 10¼. Eggs barely steady; State and Pennsylvania nearby average, finest 35c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5¼c; other domestic 3¼@6c. Potatoes steady; Long Island $3 00@3 50; Jerseys $2 75@3 25; Jersey sweets $1 50@4 00; State and Western sacks $2 50@2 70. Cabbage steady; domestic, per ton, $25 00@35 00; per 100 $5 00@10 00. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 12. Molasses firm. Tallow was quiet. Rice quiet. Sugar—Raw firm; refined steady. Cotton seed oil was steady, with only a fair inquiry. Quoted: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 32@32½c; prime summer yellow 38½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 41c; prime winter yellow 41@42c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Millers here today paid $1.07 a bushel for No. 2 red wheat. Wheat for May delivery sold at 99¾c a bushel, a gain of an even 2c from the opening point of the day. Other deliveries were correspondingly strong. Scarcity of wheat suitable for milling purposes was the important factor in causing the advance. The close was almost at the top, May being 1¾@1¾c above yesterday's final figures. July was 1¾c up. May corn closed at a gain of ½c; oats were up ¼@¾c, with provisions 2¾ to 17½c higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Cash prices: Flour—Market firm. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No. 3 spring 85@97c; No. 2 red 96¾@$1 01¼. Corn—No. 2 51¾c; No. 3 yellow 52. Oats—No. 2 41¾@42c; No. 3 white 42@43¾c. Rye—No. 2 72. Mess pork, per bbl., quoted at $15 00. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 55@7 77½. Short rib sides, loose, $7 12¾. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, not reported. Short clear sides, boxed, $7 25@7 37½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May 98, 99¾, 97¾, 99¾@99¾c; July, old, 90, 91, 89¾@89¾, 91c; do., new, 89, 90¾, 88¾, 90c; September, old, 85¾, 86¼, 85, 86¼c; do., new, 84¾, 85¾, 84¼, 85¾c. Corn—No. 2 February 53¾c; May 55¾, 56, 55½@55¾, 55¾c; July 53¾, 53¾, 53, 53¼c. Oats—No. 2 February 41¾; May 44, 44, 43¾, 44c; July 39¾, 40, 39¾, 39¾c; September 34¾, 35¼, 34¾, 34¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $15 10, 15 17½, 14 95, 15 15; July $14 85, 14 97½, 14 85, 14 97½. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $7 75, 7 77½, 7 70, 7 77½; July $7 85, 7 90, 7 77½, 7 90. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $7 22½, 7 25, 7 17½, 7 25; July $7 35, 7 35, 7 27½, 7 35.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; mild steady. The market for coffee futures opened steady at a net advance of 10@55 points on a scattering demand. There was continued selling, however, by importers and Wall street interests and the market soon developed a declining tendency that resulted in its closing steady and unchanged to 5 points higher. Total sales 147,000 bags.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 21 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 9 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—79 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 48 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—14 casks spirits turpentine, 275 barrels rosin.

Steamer Whitlock—5 casks spirits turpentine, 30 barrels rosin, 5 barrels tar.

Schooner Argyle—13 casks spirits turpentine, 90 barrels rosin, 6 barrels tar.

By Raft—300 barrels rosin.

Total—83 bales cotton, 41 casks spirits turpentine, 695 barrels rosin, 389 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

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FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 18.—Cotton: Spot, in limited demand; prices 16 points higher; American middling fair 7.50d; good middling 7.34d; middling 7.24d; low middling 7.18d; good ordinary 7.08d; ordinary 6.88d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 4,800 bales American. Receipts 12,000 bales, including 1,000 bales American.

Futures opened steady and closed steady; American middling (g o c): February 6.96d; February and March 6.96d; March and April 6.96d; April and May 6.98d; May and June 7.00d; June and July 7.00d; July and August 7.00d; August and September 6.84d; September and October 6.26d; October and November 5.97d.

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Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Warner, J T Riley & Co.

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C C Lane, 306 tons, Kelley, (in distress) C D Maffitt.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, of Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 22, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 996,314 30
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		245 01
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		12,000 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		93,453 45
Due from State Banks and Bankers		133,817 94
Due from approved reserve agents		107,090 35
Notes of other National Banks	$3,500 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,951 03	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$20,500 00	
Legal tender notes	80,000 00	$100,951 03
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		5,400 00
Total		$1,803,768 03

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund		$125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	70,137 87	195,137 87
National Bank notes outstanding		125,000 00
Due to other National Banks	152,727 36	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	250,469 72	
Dividends unpaid	413 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	730,539 18	
Cashiers checks outstanding	20,689 26	
United States deposits	173,800 00	1,338,630 22
Total		$1,803,768 03

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November, 1903.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

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At close of business Jan. 22, 1904. (Began Business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,690,218 50	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	350,000 00	Surplus and net profits	113,041 46
Bank Building	25,500 00	Circulation	200,000 00
Cash on hand and in Banks	663,768 89	Deposits	1,520,435 33
	$2,123,477 79		$2,133,477 79

Comparative statement of deposits.
Jan. 22nd, 1903, $857,526 76. Jan. 22nd, 1903, $1,204,812 99 Jan. 22nd, 1904, $1,520,436 33.

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A GAME OF FREEZE OUT

[Original.]

It was in the olden time, when the steamboats of the Mississippi were in their glory. The ladies' cabin was curtained off from the main cabin, which was chiefly occupied for gambling. One morning a man got on the steamer Prairie Queen at Natchez with an old slave and his wife, intending to take them to New Orleans to be sold. They expected to be disposed of separately and were broken hearted at the prospect. Seating themselves on a coil of rope on the forecastle, they bowed their heads in their hands and gave way to convulsive weeping.

By the time afternoon came on most of the passengers had seen them, and a great deal of sympathy had been excited. Finally a man approached the owner and asked him what he expected to get for the couple.

"Six hundred dollars each."

"I'll tell you what I'll do," said the inquirer. "I'll make up a party to buy poker chips to the amount you ask for your man and woman, and we'll play a game of freeze out for them, the man who gets all the chips to own the niggers."

"That would be agreeable to me, suh," said the owner. "I'll take my share of chips. Make up your party."

It was not long before four men were seated in the cabin to play a game for two human beings, it being understood that the winner, other than the present owner, should not sell them separately. In an hour one of the party was frozen out, and soon after another met the same fate, leaving the owner of the slaves, the principal winner, to play out the game with one man who had gone into it on purely philanthropic motives.

It was about this time that a clerical gentleman stepped from his stateroom and as he passed the gaming table, seeing a crowd looking on, asked the cause of the especial interest. Upon being informed he pushed his way to the remaining players and said:

"Gentlemen, I am surprised that you should play for this old couple without giving them a chance in the game for their freedom."

"They don't play poker," replied the owner.

"Some one might be found to play for them," pursued the clerical man.

"Very well," said the owner, "if you want to play for them I'll sell you a hundred of my chips."

"I gamble? I never touched a card in my life. But if any good poker player can be found to play their stake I will advance $100 for the chips."

One or two men standing by offered to do the playing, but after a statement of their fitness some one in the crowd protested.

"Give me the chips," said the cleric. "It is the Lord who will decide the fate of these his servants, and I, who know nothing of this game of evil, will make it a game of good. I will play it myself."

The chips were turned over to him and the money paid, whereupon he began to play, asking a dozen questions with every hand, though finally the game proceeded without any marked stoppage for information. Meanwhile nearly every passenger on the boat was looking on. Then the clerical man began to have a fine run of luck in the hands he held. He blundered so frequently that he did not win all he might have won, but his pile grew steadily.

Finally the $1,200 represented in chips, owing to the blind luck of the cleric, was pretty nearly divided between him and the owner of the slaves, the other man's "pile" being reduced to $150. Then came a large jack pot that no one seemed able to open. When it was opened, it was the cleric's turn to bet. He studied his hand for some time, then laid down his cards and asked for an explanation of a jack pot. The players somewhat impatiently explained it to him several times, when he said that he thought he understood it. Then he resumed the study of his hand and seemed in doubt what to do, once making a movement to throw it down, which he reconsidered. Taking a jack from his hand he asked one of his opponents if it were not a king. On being corrected, he showed a queen and asked if it did not stand next below the jack. Corrected again, he mused for awhile, then put up the required chips and drew one card. He had had one straight and knew what it was. It was plain either that he drew for another or to two pairs. One of the players bet all he had, and when the betting continued was frozen out. The other, the slave owner, had three sevens and filled with a pair of deuces. He determined to end the game by taking all the cleric had, thus retaining his slaves and $900 besides.

There was no trouble about drawing the cleric in. Every time his opponent raised him he raised his opponent. Finally when the chips of both parties were all in the pot it was explained to the cleric that nothing remained to be done. His opponent threw down his "full hand."

"Does that beat four ten spots?" asked the cleric innocently, throwing four tens on the table.

There was a shout of laughter from the crowd and an oath from the ex-owner, after which a bill of sale was drawn transferring the slaves to the cleric, who made out free papers for them.

"Who's the parson poker player?" asked a looker on of the man who had got up the party.

"Dan Constable of Arkansas, the slickest gambler on the Mississippi. We rung him in for the purpose. We had no right to do so, but we had as much right on our side as the owner."

F. A. MITCHEL.

Not a Falsehood.

First Hobo—What did you mean by telling the lady you couldn't get work at your trade? You haven't any trade.

Second Hobo—Then I can't get work at it, can I?—New York Press.

Conscientious.

Editor (to office boy)—I'm sorry, Jimmie, but a correspondent wants to know if oxalic acid is injurious to the hair, and I want to tell her right.—New York Journal.

Protecting Manure.

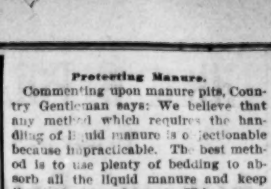
Commenting upon manure pits, Country Gentleman says: We believe that any method which requires the handling of liquid manure is objectionable because impracticable. The best method is to use plenty of bedding to absorb all the liquid manure and keep the stable dry and sweet. This manure may be hauled directly to the field, but since it is not possible to get upon the land at all times and may be inconvenient for other reasons the most desirable method is to store the manure under cover until it can be conveniently placed on the land. The writer a few years ago constructed a shed for the double purpose of holding the manure produced by forty cows and twelve horses and to serve as shelter for the cows during the stormy days when they were turned out for water, sunshine and exercise. This shed was 28 by 96 feet, being closed on three sides and open on one long side which faced the east. The cattle could stay under the shed or out in the open yard, and somewhat to our surprise they usually chose to stay out in the open, enjoying the sunshine, but sheltered from the west and north winds.

The Hens That Give Winter Eggs.

Poultry houses should be put in shape for winter. Mend the windows and clean the glass. Coat felt roofs with hot coal tar and sprinkle with fine, sharp sand. Bank the walls outside with earth and leaves covered with boards. Store a few loads of gravel and dig earth. Arrange to make the roosting place extra warm by lining the walls and use of curtains. Hens which roost warm by night and keep dry and busy by day will lay winter eggs. If new houses are needed now is the last chance for the season.—American Cultivator.

Smoking Meat.

Where one has but a little meat to smoke a barrel can often be used for this purpose. A correspondent sends us the following plan, which he vouches for as perfectly satisfactory, says Orange Judd Farmer: A sugar barrel or other barrel of large size is preferable. With a keyhole saw cut a door near the bottom through two or three staves. After sawing the door nail a strip across the staves to hold them together.



A BARREL SMOKEHOUSE.

The hinges are old pieces of leather tacked fast and may be put at the side, or the door may be hung from the top. Make a cross to hang over the barrel, and from the hooks suspend the meat. When the meat is in place throw a blanket over the cross to confine the smoke and light the fire, which should be placed in a pan. Great care must be taken with the fire so as not to burn up the meat or the barrel.

When Scalding Pigs.

When scalding pigs put three handfuls of pitch in the water and a handful in each succeeding heat. Little or no shaving of the pig is required. Smoke the meat three days, having a very hot fire the first day and using two pounds of sulphur in the fire the last two days. Neither flies nor mice will touch the meat.—Orange Judd Farmer.

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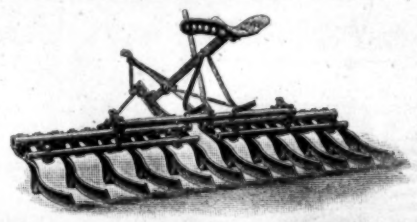

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STATEMENT OF THE

Atlantic Trust and Banking Company,

Wilmington, N. C.

At close of business, January 22nd, 1904. (Condensed from report to Corporation Commission. Began business September, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$384,958 54	Capital Stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	100 00	Undivided profits	12 252 81
Cash on hand and in Banks	19,926 93	Deposits	342,752 86
Total	$404,985 47	Total	$404,985 47

MATT J. HEYER, President. H. H. J. AHRENS, Vice President
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T. E. BROWN, Commissioner.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Time Table No. 16

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST.			GOING WEST.	
3 Passg'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Passg'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 57	9 00
7 03	7 07	Morehead City	7 52	7 27
P. M	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.22 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 5.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 2.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

oct 22 tf E. L. DILL, Supt.

SCHEDULE

CONSOLIDATED RAILWAYS,

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Effective October 21st, 1903.

LEAVE.

Wilmington.	Wrightsville for Wil.	Beach.
*7.00 A. M.	8.10 A. M.	.....
10.00 A. M.	11.17 A. M.	11.00 A. M.
2.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.	5.00 P. M.
*6.10 P. M.	7.00 P. M.	.....
10.00 P. M.	10.30 P. M.	Saturday only

*Daily except Sunday.
†Will not run beyond Wrightsville unless there are passengers for the Beach.

FREIGHT.

Small freight shipments will be carried on all passenger cars except 3 P. M. trips. Special arrangements for transportation of large shipments or bulky freight can be made by applying at the office. dec 15 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect Jan 10, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 43	No 41
Lv Wilmington	9 20 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 21 p m	9 38 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 50 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 55 p m	1 43 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 05 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 45 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 00 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 45
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
Ar Wilson	11 38 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 46 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	8 00 a m	2 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	3 50 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	6 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 25 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 40 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 05 a m
Ar Florence	7 59 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 3 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 10 p m	Lv 4 55 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	3 25 p m	Ar 12 35 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

Trains Nos. 42 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG, Gen'l Passenger Agent.

H. M. Emerson, Traffic Manager.

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Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

Schedule in Effect Jan. 10, 1904.

TRAIN 99 Leaves Wilmington 3:10 p. m, arrive Lumberton 5:36 p. m., Pembroke 6:00 p m, Maxton 6:45 p m, Hamlet 7:25 p m arrive Charlotte 10:45 p m.

TRAIN 15 Leaves Wilmington 9:00 p m, arrives Lumberton 9:15 a m, Pembroke 9:35 a m, Maxton 4:00 a m, Hamlet 5:00 a m.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:01 a m, Hamlet 6:46 a m, arrives Maxton 9:25 a m, Pembroke 10:02 a m, Lumberton 10:27 a m, Wilmington 12:45 p m.

TRAIN 14 Leaves Hamlet 10:45 p m, arrives Maxton 12:35 a m, Pembroke 1:20 a m, Lumberton 2:15 a m, Wilmington 7:50 a m

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	7 35 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Monroe	9 10 a m	11 56 a m
Ar Charlotte	10 05 a m	.....
Ar Chester	10 50 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Greenwood	12 53 p m	3 11 a m
Ar Athens	3 50 p m	6 55 a m
Ar Atlanta	6 35 p m	7 30 a m

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	7 15 a m	10 15 p m
Ar Columbia	10 20 a m	1 20 a m
Ar Savannah	2 30 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 p m	9 40 a m
Ar Tampa	6 15 a m	6 35 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 50 p m	8 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	11 53 a m
Ar Norfolk	9 30 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 50 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 50 p m	7 30 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 15 a m	10 55 a m
Ar Norfolk	9 30 a m	1 30 p m
Ar Richmond	6 10 a m	4 55 p m
Ar Washington	9 50 a m	8 36 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 18 p m	11 05 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	4 15 a m

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SOUTHBOUND.

Lv New York	12 55 p m
Lv Jersey City	1 15 p m
Ar Philadelphia	3 05 p m
Ar Baltimore	5 45 p m
Ar Washington	7 10 p m
Lv Richmond	10 25 p m
Ar Raleigh (Johnson St)	2 10 a m
Ar Southern Pines	3 54 a m
Lv Hamlet	4 50 a m
Ar Camden	6 35 a m
Ar Columbia (S. T.)	7 34 a m
Lv Columbia (C. T.)	6 00 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m
Ar Thalmann	11 04 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 50 p m
Lv Jacksonville	1 80 p m
Ar St. Augustine	2 30 p m

NORTHBOUND.

Lv St. Augustine	12 10 p m
Ar Jacksonville	1 10 p m
Lv Jacksonville	4 00 p m
Lv Thalmann	3 07 P M
Lv Savannah	5 00 p m
Ar Columbia (C. T.)	6 30 p m
Ar Columbia (S. T.)	9 25 p m
Lv Camden	10 14 p m
Ar Hamlet	11 55 p m
Ar Southern Pines	1 45 p m
Lv Raleigh	3 42 a m
Ar Richmond	6 45 a m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	11 52 a m
Ar Philadelphia	1 45 p m
Ar Jersey City	3 55 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m

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CARIB.....Saturday, Feb. 20
NAVAHOE.....Saturday, Feb. 27

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING. FEB. 19.

THE PORT ARTHUR BATTLE.

Official Report of Viceroy Alexieff of the Attack by the Japanese Fleet on the Night of the 9th of February.

By Cable to the Morning Star

ST. PETERSBURG, February 18.—A long official dispatch from Viceroy Alexieff, recounting the details of the fight of February 9th, at Port Arthur, was given out to-day. It enumerates the Russian casualties, and says it is known that a number of Japanese ships suffered severely, which accounts for their not following up the attack. The viceroy's dispatch is dated February 18th, and says:

"After the night torpedo attack the Japanese fleet, consisting of sixteen warships, appeared at 10 o'clock in the morning off Port Arthur. Its appearance was noted by the coast signal stations as well as by the ships of our squadron, which lay in the outer roadstead fully prepared for battle. Our squadron consisted of five battleships, five first and second class cruisers and fifteen torpedo boats, under the command of Vice Admiral Stark and Rear Admiral Ukhlonski. The coast batteries immediately prepared to receive the enemy. Our squadron weighed anchor in order of battle, and upon the first shot being fired by the enemy the fleet and batteries replied simultaneously with a lively cannonade. The most exposed to the enemy's fire were the ships of the squadron, battery No. 15, on Electric Cliff, and battery No. 13, on Golden Hill. Other coast batteries, principally Nos. 17 and 18 were also under fire.

The dispatch gives a full list of the ships taking part in the fight, which includes the Czarevitch, Retvizan and Pallada, injured in the torpedo attack of the night before. The dispatch continues:

"Throughout the fight the torpedo division lay to the right of the squadron, a distance of from ten to fifteen cabeltari (a Russian sea measure), awaiting orders.

"The land batteries were under the general direction of Major General Baloff, commander of the Kwan-Tung garrison of artillery. It is still difficult to ascertain the result of the battle, but according to observations made by our ships it may be assumed that several vessels of the enemy's fleet sustained damage, which explains why they avoided further fighting, although they were much superior to us in strength."

Admiral Alexieff says the men fought exceedingly well, on account of which a number of crosses were conferred, and adds: "Our losses were: Of the squadron—Five officers wounded, fourteen men killed and sixty-nine men wounded. Of the fortress and garrison—One man killed, one man severely wounded and five men slightly wounded.

MURDER IN BROOKLYN, N. Y.

President of a Manufacturing Company Shot and Killed in His Office—Jealousy Supposed to be the Cause.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Geo. B. Jennings, president of the Jennings Adjustable Shade Company, was shot and killed to-day in his office, in Brooklyn, by Frank McNamara, foreman of one of the departments of the Illinois Watch Case Company's factory at Elgin, Ill. According to two of Jennings' clerks, who were in the office, Jennings and McNamara were engaged in a heated dispute, the subject of which is unknown, when McNamara thrust a revolver against Jennings' side and fired, the bullet passing through his heart and death ensuing instantly.

McNamara threw away his revolver and ran out into the street, pursued by the two clerks, who captured him and turned him over to the police. McNamara refused to say why he shot Jennings. He came here a week ago from Elgin, where it is said he has a wife and children.

Jennings served as a captain in the Fourteenth Brooklyn regiment in the Spanish war. He leaves a widow and three children.

McNamara was formerly employed in a watch factory at Sag Harbor, R. I. It is said that about a year ago he declared that he saw Jennings coming out of his house at that place late at night. From this it is surmised that jealousy was the cause of the murder.

FAVORABLE REPORT

On Grum's Nomination as Collector of Customs at Charleston.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The Committee on Commerce to-day authorized a favorable report on the nomination of William D. Crum to be collector of customs at the port of Charleston, S. C. All the members of the committee were not present, but there were a sufficient number of affirmative votes to insure favorable action should all of the absentees have their votes recorded against the nomination. The vote was eight to five in favor of confirmation, divided on party lines. The absentees were Senators Perkins, Stone and Penrose. There is one vacancy on the committee, caused by the death of Senator Hanna.

FIGHTING IN MACEDONIA.

Albanians Defeated by Turkish Troops. Losses Heavy on Both Sides.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SALONICA, MACEDONIA, Feb. 18.—The Albanians who were besieging Shemahi Pasha, who with 2,500 Turkish troops and three guns was yesterday reported to be besieged by 20,000 Albanians, at Babajhosi, have been routed, losing eight hundred men killed and wounded. The Turkish losses are said to be heavy. Five additional battalions of troops have been ordered to Verisovich.

Nearly Forfeits His Life.

A runaway, almost ending fatally, started a horrible ulcer on the leg of J. B. Orner, of Franklin Grove, Ill. For four years it defied all doctors and all remedies. But Bucklen's Arnica Salve had no trouble to cure him. Equally as good for Burns, Bruises, Skin Eruptions and Piles. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

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VIRTUAL BLOCKADE AT PORT ARTHUR.

Japanese Admiral's Ships Are on the Watch, Preventing Ingress or Egress.

ITS GRADUAL INVESTITURE.

Will Compel Either Abandonment or Surrender of the Fortress—Russian Warships Repairing—The Situation on the Yalu River.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—An eminent military authority connected with one of the embassies said to-day that Port Arthur was practically besieged, and it was a serious question whether this would not compel either the abandonment or the surrender of the fortress with its men and material. The grounds for this belief were stated to be as follows:

Admiral Logo's ships, on the watch at the entrance of the port, prevent ingress or egress, thus establishing a virtual blockade and cutting off the chances of relief from seaward. The Japanese troops near Chwang and other points on the Liao-Tung peninsula are able to interrupt the railroad forming the line of communication and supplies between Port Arthur and Harbin. The result is the gradual investiture of Port Arthur within the Japanese naval and military lines. It will require bold action on the part of the Russian forces to prevent the final accomplishment of the investiture and slow reduction of Port Arthur."

Russian Ships Repairing.

PORT ARTHUR, February 18.—The repairs to the Russian warships damaged during the bombardment of February 9th are rapidly proceeding. The Czarevitch, Retivzen and Pallada will soon rejoin the fleet. The work is being carried on with the aid of caissons. The mishap was not so great as at first believed.

The railroad is undamaged and Port Arthur is calm. All the troops are eagerly awaiting an opportunity to meet the Japanese in open fight.

Russians Occupy Wiju.

SEOUL, Feb. 18.—The report that 3,000 Russian troops had arrived at Chin Tien Cheng, opposite Wiju, on the Yalu river, is confirmed, as is the report that the Russians have occupied Wiju itself. They have 2,000 troops at Wiju and the first collision is expected somewhere in that vicinity.

No Japanese Vessels Destroyed.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The Japanese legation here received an official dispatch from Tokio to-night saying it was not true that any Japanese vessels had been destroyed so far in any of the various naval engagements, and that all necessary repairs had already been made. The Japanese fleet remains intact.

This message also denies the report that the Japanese were driven from the neighborhood of Kin Chau after a skirmish in which 150 Japanese were taken prisoners, and declares that the Japanese made no attempt to land at Pigeon Bay. It says the Japanese forces have up to the present time made no attempt to land at any point where they could come in contact with the Russians, and that consequently all reports of land actions and Japanese losses are untrue.

TOKIO, Feb. 18.—The reports that have been sent to the effect that Russian troops have crossed the Yalu river and are moving south with the object of seizing Ping Yang, are declared to be unfounded. A reliable report from Wiju states that the Russians are assembling in force on the north side of the Yalu river, but they have not attempted to cross the river or move further south.

Steamers Captured.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—A telegram received here from Port Arthur says the Japanese have captured the Okhorsk Kamchatka Company's two steamers Kolik and Bobrik.

The Latest Advices.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Little Far Eastern news appears in the press this morning, with the exception of official dispatches, and the comment is made that the official reports of Viceroy Alexieff and others are remarkable mostly for what they leave unsaid. These reports attract far less attention than does the significantly frank Russian proclamation, asking the people to be patient until the army is ready to strike blows worthy of the dignity and might of Russia. The threats in this document are commented upon by the British press in tones of considerable irony.

It is now believed both in London and on the continent that Viceroy Alexieff has decided to fall back on Harbin, practically abandoning Port Arthur, Vladivostock and the whole of southern Manchuria to the Japanese, and that he is perhaps hoping that the reduction of Port Arthur and Vladivostock will occupy the enemy while he is concentrating his forces at Harbin.

The papers this morning comment upon the activity which is seen at Woolwich and elsewhere in refitting the navy in preparation for any emergency. It is admitted that the manufacturers of fixed ammunition have been working night shifts since Christmas and that all the surplus obsolete war material on war vessels at home and abroad is being replaced as rapidly as possible. Especial interest attaches to the equipment of sixty battleships with the new 12-inch wire steel guns, said to be the most modern and most powerful guns in existence.

Similar reports of military activity are received from other countries, for instance, even Spain is preparing for possibilities.

Sailed for Saigon.

NAGASAKI, Feb. 18.—The French armored cruiser Admiral DeGueydon has sailed for Saigon, the capital of French Cochin China. The French second class cruiser Pascal left Chemulpo February 16th for Saigon by way of Shanghai.

Heavy snow storms are reported throughout Corea.

FIRE ON A STEAMSHIP.

Damage to Cargo Roughly Estimated at About $100,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, February 18.—Until an official survey is made, it is impossible to correctly estimate the loss suffered by fire on board the British steamship Anselmo de Larrinaga, but a rough estimate places it at about $100,000. The ship was loaded with 52,000 bushels of corn and over 8,000 bales of cotton when the fire was discovered in the hold in the evening. The fire department put water in the hold, after which the hatches were battened down and steam injected all Wednesday night. It is believed the corn is ruined and many bales of cotton damaged.

Mexico has officially declared her neutrality in relation to the war in the Far East.

FIRE ON A HAMBURG LINER.

It Was Extinguished After Five Hours of Hard Work—Tempestuous Voyage of Steamship Pallanza.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 18.—After nearly foundering on one side of the Atlantic the Hamburg-American liner Pallanza, which arrived to-day from Hamburg, was seriously threatened by a fire which broke out when the steamer was within five hundred miles of the American coast. For five hours the crew worked with unabated energy to subdue the flames which raged in the cargo and finally conquered them by the injection of steam into the hold. Although there was intense excitement among the 125 passengers, there was no panic. The fire was discovered the morning of the 15th, while the Pallanza was laboring in a heavy gale. Within a few moments great volumes of smoke from the burning cargo were pouring out of the hatchways. Several lines of hose were sent down and great quantities of water pumped into the hold. The water apparently made but little impression upon the flames. Then steam pipes were led over to the hatchway and sent down and three hours later the flames began to subside. When it was announced an hour later that the fire was under control the passengers broke into prolonged cheers.

Starting from Hamburg January 19th, the Pallanza's troubles began before she was scarcely clear of the European coast. On January 26th she encountered a westerly gale that tore the guys from the smokestack and broke the funnel at its base. So furious was the gale that it was impossible for the steamer to lay to and her head was kept into the storm while the crew by hard work secured the funnel with tackles. Two days later another gale was encountered which ripped off the deck ladders, carried away several boats and smashed a portion of the bridge.

Capt. Schaerburg decided to put into the Azores and arrived at St. Rachels on Feb. 2. After making repairs the Pallanza proceeded. Nearly all the passengers landed here, but a few will remain and go with the ship to Baltimore.

RUSSIA'S UNPREPAREDNESS.

Believed She Will Act Upon the Defensive Until Her Army is Fully Mobilized and Commissariat in Order.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—No official announcement has yet been made regarding the report from Tokio of a second Japanese torpedo attack at Port Arthur. There are reports here, but they lack official confirmation, that an attack made on Port Arthur February 16th was repulsed after heavy firing on both sides. According to the story this attack was intended as a feint to cover a landing at Tallen-Wan bay, but it failed because the Russian guns were placed with great foresight to command that shore. A Russian expert says the Japanese evidently hoped that the ajacent group of Elliot isles would cover this movement, as they did the same thing during the Chino-Japanese war, landing simultaneously at Tallen-Wan and Kin-Chou, thus cutting off Port Arthur from each side of the Liao-Tung peninsula.

The government's frank statement in its communique of this morning of Russia's unpreparedness owing to Japan's sudden precipitation of hostilities, and warning the Russian public not to expect immediate victories confirms the opinion which has existed here that Russia will act upon the defensive until her army is fully mobilized and the equipment of the commissariat is in perfect working order. There are already 300,000 men in the field, but this number will be largely augmented. About 50,000 are required to guard the railroad.

A RUSSIAN PROCLAMATION.

Explaining Her Unpreparedness for War and the Necessity for the Exercise of Patience by Her People.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—An official proclamation explaining the unpreparedness of Russia for war and the necessity for the exercise of patience by her people has been issued here. It says:

"The unity and strength of the Russian people leave no room for doubt that Japan will receive the chastisement she deserves for her treachery and provocation to war at a time when our beloved sovereign desired to maintain peace among the nations. The conditions under which hostilities are being carried on compel us to wait with patience news of the success of our troops which cannot occur before decisive actions are fought by the Russian army. The distance of the territory and the desire of the emperor to maintain peace were the causes of the impossibility of more complete and earlier preparations for war. Much time is now necessary in order to strike at Japan blows worthy of the dignity and might of Russia, and, while sparing as much as possible the shedding of the blood of her children, to inflict just chastisement upon the nation which has provoked the struggle. Russia must await the event in patience, being sure that our army will avenge an hundred fold that provocation."

WARM WIRELETS

The State Department has received and accepted the resignation of W. I. Buchanan, the American minister to Panama. No successor has been appointed.

The President yesterday sent to the Senate the following nominations: Postmasters in North Carolina—J. Sanford Patterson, Spray; Roy C. Flanagan, Greenville.

Schooner J. W. Balano, from Jacksonville, for Portland, Ore., was spoken on February 14th, near Fryingpan light ship bearing S. W. by W., 30 miles, with foregaff gone, by steamer Westover for Jacksonville.

The Russian government has informed the State Department that owing to its inability to make what it regards as a suitable display of Russian products at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, it has abandoned the idea of making an exhibit.

The Kentucky House of Representatives, by a party vote, passed the bill prohibiting co-education of the races in any educational institution in that State. The bill affects Berea college, where both white and colored pupils are taught together.

The Interstate Commerce Commission announces that as a result of its investigation of the feasibility of requiring railroads to publish their tariffs for the movement of export and import traffic the same as domestic traffic, it has decided to leave the matter in abeyance for a time.

CANAL QUESTION AGAIN THE TOPIC.

Senator Spooner Sustained the Course of the President Regarding Panama

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Fortifications Appropriation Bill Passed. Philippine Question Discussed—Party Alignment—Comparison of Conditions, North-South.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 18.—The Panama canal question was again to-day the uppermost topic in the Senate and Mr. Spooner held the floor with a speech on that subject during the greater portion of the day's session. He discussed many phases of the subject, sustaining the course of the President throughout the proceedings resulting in the independence of Panama. He also contended for the superiority of the Panama route over that of the Nicaraguan. During his presentation of the question Mr. Spooner was frequently interrupted by Mr. Morgan.

Early in the day Mr. Tillman entered a motion to reconsider the tie vote of last Monday by which the bill to grant $150,000 to former Queen Liliuokalani was defeated, but further consideration of the matter was not pressed at the time.

The Senate adjourned until Saturday on account of Mr. Hanna's funeral, which takes place to-morrow.

Mr. Spooner found a strong argument in favor of the Panama route in the fact that a sea level canal is feasible at Panama.

Mr. Morgan took issue with the statement relative to a sea level canal, contending that the tides in that vicinity are such as to render a sea level water-way almost out of the question.

Mr. Morgan declared that two canals, one of them at Nicaragua, could be built as economically as could a tide water canal at Panama. "And," said Mr. Spooner, interrupting, "I have no doubt that when the time comes, Nicaragua and Costa Rica will be delighted to make the proper concessions."

"I don't know," replied Mr. Morgan, "that they will be delighted, but they can be compelled to do so."

"By the use of guns," Mr. Spooner suggested. Mr. Morgan responded, by saying that such an agreement could be secured by this government, as "easily as it could by a new republic at Panama."

Mr. Spooner defended the President against the charge that he had violated the Spooner act in failing to take the Nicaragua route when Colombia failed to accept the Hay-Herran treaty. If he had taken that course, Mr. Spooner declared, there would have been senators to reprove the President "for his strenuous haste in turning his back on a route in favor of which Congress has made a solemn declaration."

Mr. Spooner discussed at some length the failure of the Hay-Herran treaty, and during his remarks on that point Mr. Morgan said that his position on that treaty had been vindicated.

"The fact remains," said Mr. Spooner, "that the Senator from Alabama was the only American quoted while the treaty was under consideration at Bogota."

"That," replied Mr. Morgan, without rising from his seat, "is not the first time that Satan was accused of quoting Scripture."

Mr. Spooner said that he had observed that whenever our ships were in the vicinity there were French ships there.

"I have no doubt that if on August 28th the President had abandoned Panama and gone to Nicaragua there would still have been ships there, although they would not have been ours."

"What would they have done?" Mr. Morgan asked.

"They would have taken care of French interests just as all governments are expected to protect their interests," Mr. Spooner replied.

House of Representatives.

The House to-day passed the Fortifications appropriation bill. The Philippine question was the subject of a brief but spirited discussion while the bill was under consideration.

An item in the bill provided for fortifications in the insular possessions. Mr. Smith, Democrat, of Kentucky, proposed an amendment to preclude the use of any part of the appropriations for fortifications in the Philippines, holding that an expenditure of the sum necessary properly to fortify the islands was not warranted until the future of the archipelago shall have been determined.

A party alignment on the proposition immediately followed, Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, the minority leader, taking up the fight for the amendment. He said the dominant power has not yet declared itself as to the future of the islands, and that he did not want the lesson taught that one people might rule another people.

Messrs. Payne, of New York and Smith of Iowa, on the Republican side, seconded Mr. Littauer, of New York, who was in charge of the bill in opposition to the amendment, declaring that it was the duty of this government to afford protection to the people of the Philippine islands.

By a strict party vote of 80 to 82 the Smith amendment was lost.

Mr. Robinson, Democrat, made an unsuccessful attempt to secure an amendment to prevent the use of any portion of the money appropriated for experimental purposes for Langley airship experiments.

The general debate on the bill developed into a political discussion. Mr. Hill, Republican, Connecticut, started it by asking what Democracy stands for, addressing himself chiefly to Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, and taking occasion to criticise the Democratic assignments on the committees which had been made on the recommendation of the majority leader.

Mr. Williams assumed full responsibility for the appointment among the minority and comparison of conditions North and South resulted.

Mr. Williams said any one who looked over the South and observed conditions there and advocated unlimited manhood suffrage was either a fool, because he did not understand, or a knave, because understanding he did not care. This was greeted with applause on the Democratic side. Mr. Williams said there was as much trouble at elections in the district represented by Mr. Loudenslager (New Jersey) as at polls in the South.

Mr. Wade, of Ohio, predicted that the Democratic party will be victorious in the coming campaign and declared the West favored tariff revision.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

F. C. H. Dukes, aged 72, and connected with the Battery Park Hotel, Asheville, N. C., was found dead in bed at the home of his son in Mobile, Ala. Death was due to heart disease. Mr. Dukes came with his family to Mobile several days ago to witness the carnival.

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Wilmington is one of the few places to be visited by the latest roaring farce comedy "A Friend of the Family" before it goes for a long run to one of the Broadway theatres. The German play which was written solely for laughing purposes has fulfilled all expectations of it, and every person who has witnessed one of its few performances in America claims that never was a farce so screamingly funny presented in years as is given by this large company of selected New York artists. Aside from the action of the play which has not a single dull moment in it, the names included in the cast are sufficient guarantee of the excellence of the performance. No detail however small has been overlooked, nor has expense been considered in organizing this company and the enthusiastic reception it has received from both press and public attest the appreciation of the management's efforts in presenting the greatest comedy production on the road. The cast is headed by one of the most beautiful and talented actresses ever appearing behind the footlights, a lady who in addition to her charming personage and histrionic ability is the possessor of a marvellously powerful but sweet voice. Miss Alice Johnson is the lady for which the above qualifications are claimed. Miss Johnson, besides singing in leading comic and even grand operas has been leading lady of the famous Murray Hill Stock Company, in New York city, for the past two seasons.

"A Friend of the Family" will be seen Saturday matinee and night at the Academy. Matinee prices are 25 and 50 cents. Seats are now on sale.

NEWS FROM STATE CAPITOL.

Lumberton Corporation—Enlarge B. F. U. Printer Killed by a Train.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 18.—The Lumberton Cotton Oil and Ginning Company, of Lumberton, is chartered with $100,000 capital authorized and $12,000 subscribed by O. C. Norment, Berry Godwin, Geo. B. McLeod, Stephen McIntyre and others.

The directors of the Baptist Female University passed an order today for the erection at once of another dormitory building to cost not exceeding $30,000. The capacity of the building will be for 96 girls.

Governor Aycock has handed to parties bidding for the lease of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad a memorandum to the effect that he will not consider any offer for a lease of ten years and 6 per cent. for next twenty years of fifty year lease, lessee to assume $48,000 of the floating debt, and to build fifty miles of road from either Goldsboro or Newbern.

John Clifton, a well known printer, was run over and killed to-night at Johnson street station. An extra car being backed for attachment to passenger train No. 27 of the Seaboard Air Line from Richmond to Atlanta, struck him while walking on the track.

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